Strategy included effective inter-sectoral co-ordination, mass awareness and social mobilization, and syndromic management of STI/RTI by holding camps in each village during campaign.

Care of HIV/AIDS patients

Government is providing adequate facilities in all public sector hospitals for management of opportunistic infections among these patients. Drugs for management of these opportunistic infections are provided free of cost in these hospitals including drugs for treatment of Tuberculosis in these patients.

Global meet on Vascular Ultrasound

4107. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the discussion that took place in the global meet on vascular ultrasound held in February, 2002 in Delhi; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to reduce the cardiovascular disease which is predicted to cause death to the maximum victims by 2005?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Sixth World Congress of Echocardiography and Vascular Ultrasound held from 8-10th February, 2002 at Delhi. The main thrust of the programme was on clinical encardiography and its optimal use in patient management.

(b) Cardio Vascular diseases are managed at various levels in the Urban Health Care Institutions and Rural Health Care Delivery System in the country both in the public and private sectors. Apart from several district level hospitals, which provide secondary level health care facilities, premier government hospitals and autonomous institutions like All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi and Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER) Chandigarh provide specialized tertiary care facilities in the field.

Monitoring of contaminants in food

4108. SHRI C.O. PQULOSE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that use of pesticides is seriously affecting the safety of foods;